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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES January 14, 2013

6:00 P.M. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Spratt. Following the pledge of allegiance Chief Les Hutton gave the opening prayer.

Roll call was taken, in attendance were Councilmembers Adams, Cephas, Henry and Nordstrom, also in attendance were Mayor Spratt and Clerk Avery.

pproval of the minutes of the November 13th open session was called for; Councilman Nordstrom made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Councilman Adams. The minutes were approved 4 in favor with Councilman Durham absent, 4 to 0. A motion was made to approve the Agenda by Councilman Nordstrom and seconded by Councilman Henry and passed 4 in favor with none opposed, 4 to 0.

Mayors Report;

Mayor Spratt made a presentation of a plaque to Attorney Vinson recognizing the 32 years of service that he has given to the Town. There was a round of applause and positive comments honoring Mr. Vinson.

The Mayor reported the winners of the Christmas lights as follows; 1st place 303 Wrights Ave, 2nd place 100 Railroad Ave. and 3rd place 102 Taylor Ave.

The Mayor stated that a lot has gone on since the last meeting in November, the Christmas Parade was wonderful, 87,000 stuffed animals that donated to the Town were distributed from Connecticut to Virginia, the Town dump truck was decorated and used to give over 3,000 to kids in the Hurlock Parade and over 4,000 in the Federalsburg Parade.

Department Reports;

Code Enforcement Officer Cary Malkus submitted a progress report on code violations to the Town Office and was given to the Councilmembers. A copy of his report is included with these minutes.

Chief Les Hutton presented the Mayor and Council with a very detailed annual report prepared by Capitan Mike Henry. The report will also be posted on the Police Department web site. The report is an oversight of

police operations for 2012. The Chief stated that the department has met with Hurlock Elementary School aff to review lock down and security procedures.

County Councilmember Rick Price's report;

The County Council voted to adopt the "Septic Bill" but not the Tier Maps. Only 8% of property in the County can build major subdivisions with septic systems. A subdivision is considered major if it contains seven or more lots. County Planning and Zoning said the trend has gone to minor subdivisions. The County has held off on adopting the WIP TMDL plan at this time.

The County adopted the 2013 snow removal plan. It is essentially the same as last year's plan.

The County has requested capitol assistance to cap part of Beulah landfill.

Clerk Avery asked Mr. Price to include Jackson Street on the list for road repairs. It is in dire need of repaving.

Councilmember Cephas spoke honoring Mr. Vinson and his service to the Town. He stated the Bible says to give honor where honor is due. Councilmember Cephas recognized Mr. Joe Spratt for all of the volunteer work that Mr. Spratt has done on behalf of the Town and to say thank you for a good deed. Councilman Cephas also thanked everyone that worked on putting the parade together and decorating the truck

Councilman Nordstrom recognized Mayor Spratt as being the driving force in distributing the 87,000 stuffed himals.

There being no new business the Mayor stated that the next meeting will be January 28th and adjourned the meeting at 7:05 P.M.

Respectively Submitted;

John Avery

Clerk/Treasurer

Passed:

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Mayor

Councilmembers: